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Dear Mr. Scherrei:

The California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal/EPA), Office of Emergency Services, and the Department of Toxic Substances Control conducted a program evaluation of the Santa Barbara County Fire Department Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA) on June 9 and 10, 2005. The evaluation consisted of a review of program elements, an in-office program review, and field oversight inspections. The State evaluators completed a CUPA Evaluation Summary of Findings with your agency's program management staff, which includes identified deficiencies, with preliminary corrective actions and timeframes, program observations and recommendations, and examples of outstanding program implementation.

Cal/EPA has received documentation of corrective actions taken by Santa Barbara County Fire Department CUPA for the deficiencies found during the evaluation process. After reviewing the Evaluation Summary of Findings and the documentation of corrective actions, Cal/EPA considers the following deficiency in progress of being corrected.

1. The CUPA's Area Plan does not have all the required elements.

Cal/EPA appreciates the actions taken by Santa Barbara County Fire Department. The one remaining deficiency from the 2005 evaluation will be incorporated into the 2007 evaluation scheduled for December 19 and 20, 2007. Santa Barbara County Fire Department CUPA rating on the 2005 evaluation will remain as satisfactory with some improvement needed until the 2007 evaluation team determines the CUPA's current rating.

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Thank you for your continued commitment to the protection of public health and the environment. If you have any questions or need further assistance, you may contact me at (916) 327-5097 or jbohon@calepa.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

[Original signed by Jim Bohon]

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